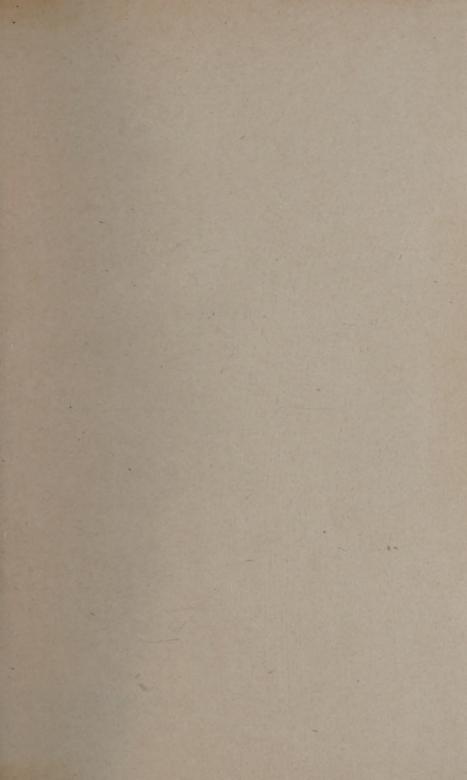
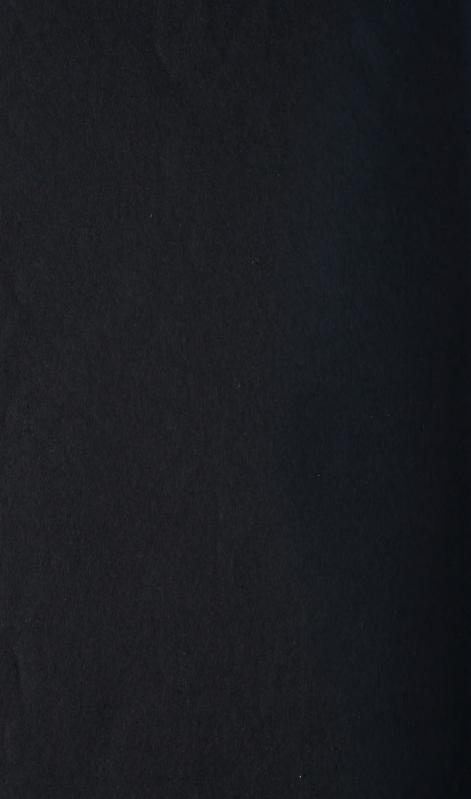


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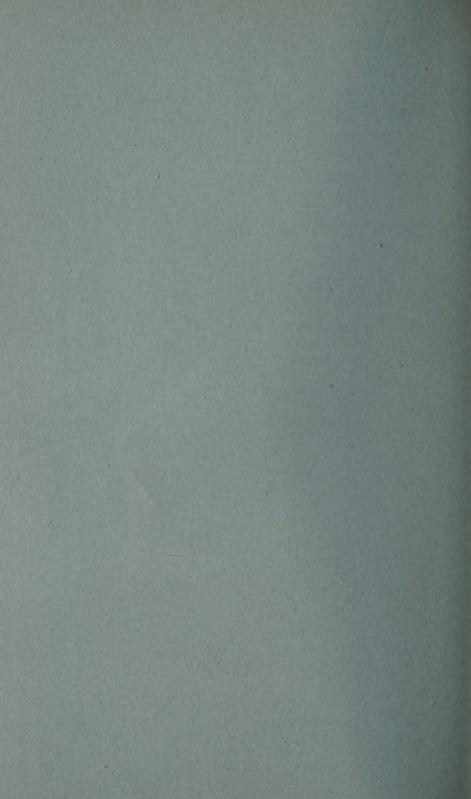
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FOR THE

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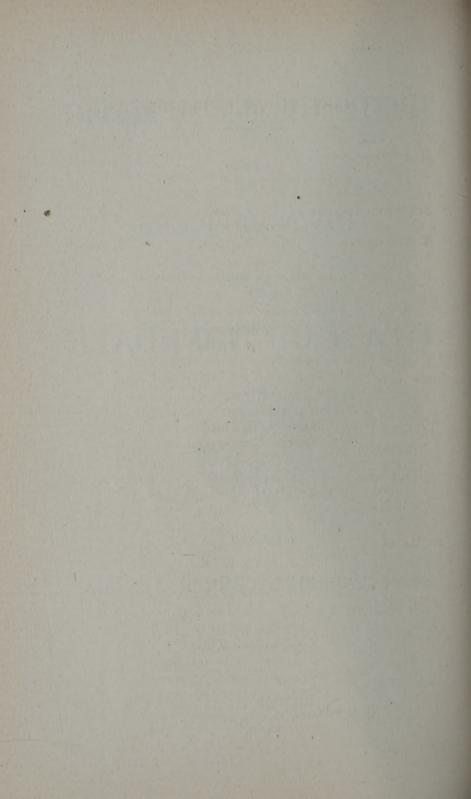
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LIST TOWN OFFICERS.

Clerk.
D. A. Westcott.

Treasurer.

E. D. BANCROFT.

Collector.

Auditor.

E. S. STIMPSON.

A. A. Messinger.

Selectmen, Overseers of Poor, Board of Health, and Fence Viewers.

E. A. DARLING,

L. B. GASKILL,

J. M. FRENCH.

Assessors.

H. W. Bracken, Term expires 1899.

G. O. Draper, Term expires 1900.

WM. BANCROFT, Term expires 1901.

School Committee.

A. W. Ham, Term expires 1899.

C. E. Longfellow, Term expires 1900.

F. J. Dutcher, Term expires 1901.

Trustees of Library.

TIMOTHY OSGOOD, Term expires 1899.

M. J. Bigelow, Term expires 1900.

F. H. French, Term expires 1901.

Constables.

ROBERT Ross,

SS, ANTOINE MORIN, S. A. F. FAIRBANKS, G. H. COLE,

S. A. ANDREW,

J. M. FRENCH,

CHARLES W. ADAMS,

E. C. BARROWS.

Field Drivers.

J. M. FRENCH,

FRANK GASKILL.

S. MADDEN,

Highway Surveyors.

G. A. Draper, Term expires 1899.

J. J. Wehinger, Term expires 1900.

F. M. DAY, Term expires 1901.

Fire Engineers.

F. L. Andrew, Chief.

C. E. PIERCE, 1st Assistant.

A. W. WESTCOTT, Clerk and Treasurer.

Measurers of Wood and Public Weighers.

W. H. BARNEY,

F. A. CARD,

D. A. WESTCOTT,

H. B. FISKE.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT in account with E. D. BANCROFT, Treasurer.

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DR.	\$ 081 A3		Hopedale 410	403		648 00						\$7,434 63	
DB.	To orders drawn, viz:— Teaching Honedale		Hopedale 410	Care, Hopedale 403 92	South Hopedale 33	Fuel 648 00	Text-books 695 54	Repairs 53 01		Incidentals 677 63		\$7,434 63	Balance overdrawn *6 91

NEW SCHOOLHOUSE BUILDING in account with E. D. BANCROFT, Treasurer.

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	To orders drawn, viz.:-	(See building co	details)	

The original appropriation was for \$30,000, against which the town voted to borrow \$20,000. This was done last year, and of the total appropriation \$16,545.14 was spent in 1897, leaving a balance of \$13,454.86, as shown in last report, with which to complete the schoolhouse. The total cost to date is \$32,692.21, or \$2,692.21 in excess of the appropriation.

SCHOOLHOUSE BUILDING FURNISHINGS in account with E. D. BANCROFT, Treasurer.

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•	By appropriation .	\$1,754 57	\$254 57
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LIBRARY DEPARTMENT in account with E. D. BANCROFT, Treasurer.

	\$1,300 00	174 65	31 03	51 66			5		\$1,557 34
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	To orders drawn, viz.:	Books	Periodicals .	Labor .	Binding .	Gas and water	Supplies .	Sundries (see Trustees'	

Highway Department in account with E. D. Bancroft, Treasurer.

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TREASURER'S REPORT-CONTINUED.

SIDEWALK DEPARTMENT in account with E. D. BANCROFT, Treasurer.

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$D_{\mathbf{B}_{\bullet}}$	To orders drawn, viz.:— Labor and material	Sundries (See Commissioners report) Balance	

Poor Department in account with E. D. Bancroft, Treasurer.

	\$1,200 00		35 24	169 46		\$1,404 70	\$400 55 6
CR.	By appropriation	\$347 44 Amount charged State of Massachu-	setts (state paupers).	35 24 Amount charged J. A. Edmands .			Balance unexpended
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TREASURER'S REPORT—CONTINUED.

INCIDENTAL DEPARTMENT in account with E. D. BANCROFT, Treasurer.

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		\$200 00	20	100	20	166	95	110	20	45	25 00	200 00		•	٠	٠
DR.	To orders drawn, viz.:— Salaries:—	Selectmen	Selectmen's clerk	Treasurer	Town clerk	Collector	Assessors	Registrars	Auditor	Election officials	Cattle inspector	Town counsel		Stationery	Printing	Insurance
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Soldiers' relief . Sundries (see Selectmen's report) .	Balance overdrawn

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FIRE DEPARTMENT in account with E. D. BANCROFT, Treasurer.

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	To orders drawn, viz.:—Pay of members	Fuel .	Water	Lights	Hose .	Sundries (see Engineers' report)	Balance			

TREASURER'S REPORT-CONTINUED.

SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS in account with E. D. BANCROFT, Treasurer.

Water Account.

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SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS—Continued.

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Decoration Day Account.	Town Hall Account. \$933 32 By appropriation. 257 18 1898 rents	\$1,190 50 Unexpended balance	State and County Tax Account. \$1,965 00 By appropriation . 4,164 00 Balance .	\$6,129 00 \$1,129 00	Tree Warden. *359 07 By appropriation . Unexpended balance
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Corporation and Bank Tax in account with E. D. Bancroft, Treasurer.

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	To corporation tax, 1896 account	Corporation tax. 1897 account	Corporation tax. 1898 account	Bank tax, 1898 account		Amount unpaid, 1897 account Amount unpaid, 1898 account
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SCHOOLHOUSE LOAN in account with E. D. BANCROFT, Treasurer.

			\$20,000 00
	By notes due Milford Savings Bank in	one, two, three, and four years, from	January 5, 1898
-		\$15,000 00	
JJK.	To notes prepaid in accordance with \$15,-	000 appropriation	

The above \$20,000 loan having been negotiated on a basis of one, two, three and four years, in accordance with vote of the town, it became necessary to purchase the said notes from the holders. This was done

at a sacrifice of a bonus, which appears in its proper place as interest.

CEMETERY TRUST ACCOUNT IN account with E. D. BANCROFT, Treasurer.

	\$1,864 00 100 00	\$1,964 00						15											\$1,964 00
CR.	\$1,964 00 By balance from last account . Amount received from J. A. Edmands		New account:	Burlingame lot . \$100 00	S. M. Whipple 100 00	Sally Whipple 100 00	Margery Humphrey . 250 00	J. B. Bancroft 500 00	F. J. and G. M. Dutcher . 150 00	S. B. Holbrook 100 00	L. H. Ballou 200 00	A. T. Field, account Thwing	lot 150 00	Mary Draper 14 00	P. W. Moody, account lot 45 50 00	W. G. Comstock . 50 00	Mary J. Jacques 100 00	J. A. Edmands 100 00	Annual opposessor and a
DR.	To balance of account																		

TREASURER'S REPORT-ContinueD.

E. D. BANCROFT, Treasurer, in account with Town of Hopedale.

		\$7,434 63	16,147 07	1,754 57	1,557 34	60 068'9	845 63 91	1,118 69	1,836 13	1,850 00	1,675 26	1,141 26	20 00	933 32	6,129 00	359 07	1,004 15	420 00	
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	By amounts paid:-	School department	New schoolhouse building	Schoolhouse	Library department	Highway department	Sidewalk department	Fire department	Incidental department	Water account	Street lighting	Interest account	Decoration Day	Town Hall	State and county tax	Tree warden	Poor department	State aid	
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DR.	To balance from old account, viz.:-	Cemetery trust account		Schoolhouse building.	General fund	,	Collector, 1896 account.	Collector, 1897 account.	Collector, 1898 account.	Collector, betterments .	Collector, sidewalk assessments	Corporation tax, 1896 account	Corporation tax, 1897 account	Corporation tax, 1898 account	Bank tax. 1898 account.	Poor department, 1897 account	Poor department, 1898 account	Dog licenses, library account	

. \$ 8,500 00	. 15,000 00	. 2,795 15									17			\$76,441 36				
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Borrowed money	Schoolhouse loan	Balance								•								
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Library fines,	Library, Bancroft fund income .	Cemetery trust	State of Massachusetts, state aid	State of Massachusetts, school account	School department, property sold	Court fines	Interest on deposits .	Highways, 1898 account	Sidewalks, 1897 account	Sidewalks, 1898 account	Town Hall	Incidentals	Borrowed money .		Balance to new account, viz.:-	Against which we owe on	Cemetery trust account \$1,964 00 Library trust account \$1,000 00	

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SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS, CASH RECEIPTS, AND BALANCES FOR YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1898.

	Appro-	Cash	Amts.	Bala	nces.
ACCOUNTS.	priations.			Over- drawn	Unex- pended
School department,	\$ 6,800 00	\$ 627 7	2	8 6 91	
New schoolhouse building (bal- ance from '97), Schoolhouse building furnish-	13,454 86			2,692 21	
ings.	1,500 00			254 57	
Library department,	1,300 00				
Highway department,	3,500 00				\$587 94
Sidewalk department, Fire department,	500 00 1,250 00		5 2 50		492 92 131 31
Incidental department,	1,700 00		9	92 84	
Water account;	1,850 00			02 02	
Street lighting account,	1,724 00				48 74
Interest account,	1,200 00		8		818 72
Decoration Day account, Town Hall account,	50 00 500 00		0		257 18
State and county tax account,	5,000 00			1,129 00	
Tree warden,	500 00			1,120 00	140 98
Poor department,	1,200 00				400 58
State aid,	3.5.000.00	402 0	420 00	1	
Schoolhouse loan,	15,000 00			1	
Total receipts for year .				\$57 , 176 83	
Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1898				19,264 53	
					\$76,441 30
Total cash expenditures on 1898 a	accounts			_	73,646 2
Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1899					\$2,795 1
Less Library Trust Fund .				\$1,000 00	
Less Cemetery Trust Fund .				1,964 00	
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Excess of expenditures over inc	ome .				\$168.8

REPORT OF SELECTMEN

For the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1898.

INCIDENTALS.

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A. F. Fairbanks, court services	4	\$ 3	66
H. C. Snell, court services .		5	54
E. J. Dalton, court services .		3	96
R. C. Fish, M. D., return of births		3	50
Emery & Wood, return of deaths		4	25
Printing		115	75
Postage and stationery		52	92
Services at polls:—			
S. A. Andrew.		2	00
A. A. Messinger		5	00
C. E. Pierce		5	00
F. H. French		5	00
S. A. Andrew		5	00
Thomas Gaffney	4	3	00
George E. Stimpson		3	00
Herbert Grayson		3	00
F. B. Sweet		3	00
George H. Davis		3	00
S. A. Staples		3	00
George P. Sheldon	, •	5	00
Salaries:—			
A. A. Messinger, Auditor .		20	00
Waldo Phipps, Inspector of Cat		25	00
E. S. Stimpson, Collector of Tax	ces .	166	85
E. A. Darling, Chairman of Select	men	100	00
L. B. Gaskill, Selectman .	0	50	00
J. M. French, Selectman .		50	00
E. E. Howard, Clerk for Board of	f Se-		
lectmen		50	00
S. A. Staples, Registrar .	•	25	00
W. H. Grayson, Registrar .		25	00
H. F. Searles, Registrar .	•	25	00
D. A. Westcott, Registrar .		2 5	00
D. A. Westcott, clerk for Regist	rars	10	
E. D. Bancroft, Treasurer .	•	100	00
D. A. Westcott, Town Clerk	•	50	
J. A. Taft, Town Counsel .		200	
H. W. Bracken, Assessor, .		35	00

Wm. Bancroft, Asses	ssor		. \$30	00		
George Otis Draper,	Assesso	r	. 30	00		
Credits:—						·
By D. A. Westcott, 1896	records		•		\$2 8	
Lockup keys .	•	•	•		-	75
Lamp-post sold.	•	•	•		3	50
Load of sand .	•	•	•			50
Court fines .	•	•	•		7	04
		-	\$1.836	13	\$1,743	29
Amount overdrawn			41, 000	10		84
Amount overtain	•		•			
			\$1,836	13	\$1,836	13
STI	REET I	LIGHTS				
By appropriation .					\$1,700	00
Special appropriation			•		24	
To Milford Electric Light		ower Co.	\$1.675	26		
				74		
T						
			\$1,724	00	\$1,724	00
	TAXI	ES.				
By appropriation .					\$5,000	00
To state tax .		•	\$1,965	00	,	
County tax .			. 4,164	00		
By amount overdrawn					1,129	00
			*0.100		40.100	
			\$6,129	00	\$ 6,129	00
ME	MORIA	L DAY	•			
By appropriation .	•	•	•		\$50	00
To Post 22, G. A. R.		•	. \$50	00		
S	STATE	AID.				
By amount due from stat	te				\$ 420	00
To Mrs. Isaac Cox			. \$ 48	00	Q120	•
Mrs. Josephine B. Ma	ansfield			00		
Mrs. C. E. Schofield				00		
Mrs. Joanna Crowley				00		
Peter Moore .			. 100			
2 0002 110020						

L. H. Barrows		4		\$72	00		
Patrick Gleason				48	00		
M. R. Hanley	•	•		56	00		
•			-	\$ 420	00	\$420	00
WATER FO	OR FII	RE PU	RP	OSES			
By appropriation .						\$1,850	00
To Milford Water Co.	p. "."	•	. \$	1,850	00		
	INTER	EST.					
By appropriation .						\$1,200	00
Interest on deposits	•	•				259	
To Milford Savings Bank				\$ 400	00		
Milford Savings Bank				31	67		
Milford Savings Bank		j		440	00		
Milford Savings Bank			٠	5	39		
Milford Savings Bank				100	00		
Hopedale Village ceme	tery	1		112	54		
Library Trustees, on		oft trus	st				
fund				51	66		
Balance unexpended	•	•		318	72		
			\$	1,459	98	\$1,459	98
TR	EE W	ARDEN	٧.				
By appropriation .			٠			\$500	00
To C. B. Merrill & Co., la	abor	•		\$316	56		
Hopedale stable, labor				20	39		
Town of Hopedale, h		depart	t-				
ment, labor .				22	12		
Balance unexpended	•			140	93		
			-	\$ 500	00	\$500	00
T	own :	HALL.					
By appropriation .						\$500	00
Amount received for re	ents					690	
To Milford Water Co.				43	03		
Milford Gas Light Co.				70	37		

Hopedale stable, coa Draper Co., repairs Draper Co., 1 gallor T. E. Morse, 3 pcs. 1 T. E. Morse, repairs	Cauc nap plate	hth gla	na . nss .	· · · · · · · · · ·	\$260 7		4 0	
hall				•	17	0	0	
H. M. Bates, service	es as	jar	nitor		326	7:	1	
Samuel Snodgrass, s	servi	ces	as ass	istant	40	84	4	
Clark Ellis & Sons,	repai:	rs a	nd sur	ndries	41	94	4	
Avery & Woodbur	cy, c	urt	ain t	ramp				
room						3	5	
M. Steinert & Sons,	tuni	ng	piano	twice	5	0	0	
J. Allen Rice, deodd	rine	and	d syrin	nge .		6	5	
L. A. Lamson, alcoh	ol.					90	0	
Wm. Smith, plumb	ing, s	tor	e and	mar-				
ket				•	14	7	4	
B. Baker Co., repair	s to	roo	f.		14	9	1	
Hopedale Amateurs	, scer	ner	у.		75	00)	
C. H. Bull, supplies					11	79	9	
Balance unexpended	ŀ.				257	18	8	
				-	1 100	~ .		
					1,190	5(81,1	190 50
	S	UM	MAR	Y.				
	'n.	e e	d.			1	res 1	i
	Appropriation	State	Received	m°	led.		nexpended Balance.	Exceeded
DEPARTMENT.	pri	om	Rec	rotals.	Expended	1	per	Exceeded
	pro	Due from		To	Exp		nex Ba]	Exc
	Ap	Da	Cash				D	Ap
Incidentals,	\$1,700 1,724		\$ 43 29	\$1,743 29	\$1,836	13		\$ 92 84
Street lights, State aid,		\$420		1,724 00 420 00	1,675 420	26 00	\$ 48 74	
Water for fires, Memorial Day,	1,850 50			1,850 00 50 00	1,850 50	00		
Interest, State and county taxes,	1,200 5,000		259 98	1,459 98 5,000 00	1,141 6,129	00	318 72	1,129 00
Tree warden, Town Hall,	500		690 50	500 00 1,190 50	359 933		140 93 257 18	
				\$13,987 77	\$14,394	04	\$ 765 57	\$1,221 84
	1							
Total amount expende			•	•	•			394 04
Total amount received	1 .		•	•	•		13,9	937 77
Amount overdrawn							\$4	156 27

APPRAISEMENT OF TOW	N PRO	PERI	Y, JA	N. 1, 1899.
Town House				\$35,000 00
Town House store fixtures	,			450 00
Schoolhouse, Hopedale street				2,000 00
Schoolhouse, South Hopedale			•	950 00
Schoolhouse, Dutcher street				35,000 00
High school building .				7,000 00
Wood land			,	500 00
Public library ,				5,000 00

Highway property:—				\$ 85,900 00
Stone crusher and engine.				\$ 700 00
Road scraper	•	•	•	30 00
Three snow plows .	•	•	•	40 00
Small tools	· i	•	٠	150 00
Watering cart	•	•	•	375 00
Eleven standpipes	•	•	•	200 00
Road roller	•	0	•	150 00
Ttoau Toller		•	•	150 00
				\$1,645 00
APPROPRIATIONS RECO		ED B	Y THE	SELECT-
M	IEN.			
Memorial Day			•	\$ 50 00
Incidentals				1,700 00
Interest				500 00
Street lights	,			1,850 00
Water for fire purposes .				1,850 00
State and county taxes .				5,000 00
Town Hall		4		500 00
Support of poor				1,200 00
Tree warden			6	500 00

Respectfully submitted,

E. A. DARLING, Chairman, L. B. GASKILL, J. M. FRENCH,

Selectmen.

REPORT OF THE OVERSEERS OF POOR For the Year Ending December 31, 1898.

By appropriation			\$1,200	00
Amount charged state, state pauper acc	ount .		35	24
Amount received from J. A. Edmands			169	46
To F. Lovely, South Hopedale	* 5	00		
Medfield Insane Asylum, care Esther				
Fiske	146	00		
Worcester Lunatic Hospital, care F.				
T. Edmands	169	46		
Town of Easton, care Mrs. Wm. Briggs	75	04		
Town of Stoughton, care Mrs. Wm.				
Briggs	68	75		
Worcester Lunatic Hospital, care Mrs.				
A. Henry	31	98		
Town of Westboro, care of Lucius				
Fiske	88			
Town of Milford, care of Lucius Fiske	64	50		
Town of Milford, care of Curtis Claffin	156	00		
Town of Milford, care of G. D. Ed-				
mands' family	144	00		
J. M. French, team to Westboro, ac-				
count L. Fiske		00		
C. H. Bull, tramp account	14	18		
Samuel Hobbs & Co., poor department				
blanks	• 1	00		
C. H. Bull, groceries, account A. S.				
Andrews	6	56		
L. A. Lamson, medicine, account A. S.				
Andrews	1	00		
C. F. Wilkinson, provisions, account A.				
S. Andrews	3	43		

Hopedale Stable, woo	od, ac	count A	. S.	\$ 2	38		
G. H. Darling, milk, a	ccoun	t A. S.	An-				
drews	4			2	30		
Draper Co., rent				7	57		
R. C. Fish, M. D., pro	fessio	nal servi	ices	12	00		
Balance unexpended		•		400	55		
			-	1 101		***	
			8	1,404	70	\$1,404	70
]	E. A. D.	ARLI	ING,			
	^ .]	L. B. GA	SKI	LL,			
		J. M. FF	RENC	CH,			

REPORT OF BOARD OF HEALTH For the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1898.

There were 2 cases of typhoid fever, 2 cases scarlet fever, 1 case of diphtheria, and 1 case of membranous croup, all of which received proper attention.

E. A. DARLING, L. B. GASKILL, J. M. FRENCH,

Board of Health.

Overseers of Poor.

REPORT OF FENCE VIEWERS For the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1898.

No complaints.

E. A. DARLING, L. B. GASKILL, J. M. FRENCH.

Fence Viewers.

REPORT OF ROAD COMMISSIONERS For the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1898.

GENERAL REPAIRS.

•		Dr.	Cr.
By appropriation			\$3,500 00
Work for Draper Co			134 00
Work for M. & H. Street R.	R. Co.		30 65
Work for outside parties			36 52
Rent of hose house .	. •		40 00
Betterment assessments			1,736 86
To labor	•	\$ 3,812 35	
Material		984 79	
A. Morin		24 33	
C. A. Hill		31 15	
Sherman Bros	•	1 50	
Draper Co		1 31	
H. L. Patrick		20 57	
A. G. Chilson		22 00	
D. A. Westcott		80 00	
Hopedale Stable	•	15 00	
Geo. C. Greenway .		3 75	
John S. Mead	•	6 75	
Draper Co		7 36	
Edson Mfg. Co		38 00	
Milford E. L. & P. Co		14 40	
E. E. Howard		7 50	
Hopedale Stable.		15 00	
Clark Ellis & Sons .		11 88	
Sherman Bros	25	9 15	
Unexpended balance .	100	371 24	

W	A	T	Ю	R.I	IN	G.

11 ==			
By appropriation			\$1,000 00
To A. Morin	•	. \$ 24 00	
Sherborne Bros		. 30	
Fairbanks Co	•	. 12 00	
Running cart		. 411 78	
Milford Water Co		. 331 97	
C. Callahan		. 3 00	
Adams express		. 25	
Unexpended balance .	•	. 216 70	
		\$1,000 00	\$1,000 00
SIDI	EWALKS.		
By appropriation			\$500 00
Work for A. A. Westcott			20 00
Work for G. A. Draper .			100 31
Work for C. B. Merrill &	Co		105 95
Work for outside parties			612 29
To G. & U. R. R		. \$ 49 00	
Barrett & Co	•	. 56 25	
Hopedale Stable.		. 108 74	
F. M. Ballou		. 287 50	
Labor by department .		. 342 32	
H. L. Patrick		. 1 82	
Unexpended balance .	•	. 492 92	
		\$1,338 55	\$1,338 55

SUMMARY.

DEPARTMENT.	Appropriation.		Total Credit.	Amount Expended.	Unexpended Balance.	
General repairs, Sidewalks, Watering,	\$3,500 00 500 00 1,000 00 \$5,000 00	\$1,978 03 888 55 \$2,816 58	1,338 55 1,000 00	\$5,106 79 845 68 783 30 \$6,785 72	492 92 216 70	

J. J. WEHINGER, GEO. A. DRAPER, C. M. DAY,

Road Commissioners.

BOARD OF ENGINEERS.

Annual Report of the Board of Engineers of Hopedale Fire Department for the Year Ending December 31, 1898, Giving a List and Value of Property, Names of Members, and Number of Fires.

PROPERTY.

One hose house			•			\$1,550	00
One hose wagon			j .			350	00
One hose wagon						100	00
One hook and ladde	r truc	ek, with	ladder	s .		200	00
3200 ft. hose (2700	ft. in	n good	condition	on; 500	ft.		
unreliable)						945	00
Arrow-gun and fire	escap	e .	ć		4	20	00
Three harnesses, sh	ovels,	etc.			•	40	00
Fire alarm telegrap	h com	plete	•	•		1,500	00
Total						\$4, 705	00

HYDRANTS.

Thirty-four hydrants, located as follows:—

Seven on Hopedale street.

Four on Adin street.

One on Main street.

One on West Main street.

Four on Dutcher street.

Two on Dutcher street extension.

Four on Union street.

Four on Freedom street.

One at counting-room.

One near high school.

Two on Prospect street.

One in yard back of foundry. Two on Union street extension.

ENGINEERS.

F. L. Andrew, Chief, C. E. Pierce, 1st Assistant, A. W. Westcott, Clerk and Treasurer.

MEMBERS.

Hose 2.

Fred Crockett, Foreman,	W. H. Cox, Clerk and Treas.,
Wm. McClellan, 1st Assistant,	M. Higginson,
T. H. Gaffney, 2d Assistant,	M. Gaffney.

Hose 3.

J. P. Durgin, Foreman,	R. H. Owen,
E. H. Ingram, 1st Assistant,	W. N. Draper,
C. L. Whitney, 2d Assistant,	P. Leavitt,
E. S. Adams, Clerk and Treas.,	J. B. Chapin,
T. F. Coyne,	J. J. Wehinger,
T. F. Mathews,	W. Hastings.
J. E. Andrew,	

PAY OF MEMBERS, ENGINEERS AND INCIDENTALS.

By appropriation .						\$1,150	00
To pay of engineers				\$ 84	00		
Pay of members				554	95		
Poll tax of members ar	nd engi	neers		43	12		
Robert Ross, fire police				20	00		
H. E. Brown, steward	•			50	00		
H. E. Brown, care of fi	re alar	m	,	60	00		
Beattie Zinc Works, 10	00 No.	1 zincs		40	00		
Grafton & Upton R. R.	, freigh	nt		3	20		
Draper Co., box kindlin	ngs			1	00		
Hopedale Stable, wood	and co	al		14	08		
Hopedale Stable, teams	at fir	es, use	of				
pung, and carting me	erchand	lise		19	60		
Davoren's Express					20		
John F. Gaffney, labor				1	00		

J. P. Ryan, labor on fire alarm.	. \$ 1	70		
H. H. Lent, flag staff	. 25	00		
H. E. Brown, oil, matches, etc.	. 2	30		
G. M. Billings, printing cards .	. 5	50		
W. E. Decrow, vitriol and insulators	. 19	69		
J. P. Ryan, repairing fire alarm	. 8	15		
A. W. Westcott, stamps and stationery	1	55		
H. L. Patrick, soda	3	24		
Highway Dept., rent No. 2 hose house	40	00		
Highway Dept., clearing hydrants	. 3	00		
Draper Co., glass, putty, labor .	. 1	49		
Draper Co., box kindlings .	. 1	00		
H. L. Patrick, salt, sponge, soap	. 1	30		
J. M. French & Son, teams at fires	,			
cleaning harness, etc	. 7	25		
Milford Gas Light Co	. 26	40		
Milford Water Co	. 13	00		
			\$1,051	72
By special appropriation for hose			\$100	00
RECAPITULATION	Τ.			
By appropriation	•		\$1,150	00
By special appropriation for hose	•		100	00
To pay of members and engineers	. \$812	07		
Incidentals	. 239	65		
250 ft. hose	. 100	00		
Unexpended balance	. 98	28		
	\$1.250	00	\$1,250	00
	WI,200	0.0	W19200	0.0

NUMBER OF FIRES.

Jan. 14.—Fire at residence of J. P. Durgin.

March 15.—Brush fire on land of Mrs. Day, near Grafton & Upton R. R.

March 16.—Chimney fire at residence of Wm. Cook, corner Hopedale and Main streets.

April 5.—Brush fire on land of Draper Co., head of Peace street.

May 21.—Brush fire near house of Peter Moore. Oct. 9.—Fire in carpenter shop of Draper Co.

LOCATION OF FIRE ALARM BOXES.

Box 25.—Yard of Draper Co.

Box 26.—Hopedale St., corner of hose house.

Box 27.—Bancroft Park.

Box 38.—Corner Freedom and Dutcher streets.

Box 45.—West of dam on Freedom street.

Box 53.—Corner of Adin and Hopedale streets.

Box 57.—Adin street, near E. S. Draper's.

Box 62.—Corner of Main and Hopedale streets.

Box 64.—Westcott's mills.

School signal.—Near office of Draper Co.

Names of key holders found at boxes.

For 1899 we would recommend an appropriation of \$1,150, the \$50 to be included for forest fire wardens. We also recommend that the town purchase runners for hose wagon and hook and ladder truck, at an expense of \$150.

All equipments of the department are in good working order.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

F. L. ANDREW, C. E. PIERCE, A. W. WESTCOTT,

Board of Engineers, Hopedale Fire Department.

ASSESSORS' REPORT FOR 1898.

Valuation of real estate, excluding land Valuation of real estate, excluding buildings	\$738,400 235,925			
Total valuation of real estate . Total valuation of personal estate	\$ 974,325 2,293,935			
Total valuation .		. \$3	,268,260	00
Increase over 1897			\$30,680	
Tax rate per \$1,000			\$10	
Tax on property Number of polls taxed	479		\$32,682	60
Tax on each	\$2 \$958		958	00
Tax on pons	\$900		998	00
Total tax			\$33,640	60
Exemptions and abate	ments		113	75
			A00 F00	0.5
Bank tax			\$33,526 2,940	
Corporation tax .	•	•	8,002	
Corporation that .	•	•		
Available tax .	•		\$44,469	
Increase over 1897.	•		\$476	
Number of persons assessed .	•			566
Number of persons assessed on pr		•		205
Number of persons assessed for pe	oll tax only	•		361
Number of polls assessed .	•	•		479
Number of horses assessed .	•	•		144
Number of cows assessed .	•	•	•	88
Number of neat cattle assessed	•	•	•	14

COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

The amost leasted towns	1896.	Dr.	00	Cr	
To uncollected taxes		\$315	22	* 0	
By cash paid E. D. Band	croft, Treasurer			\$ 9	22
Taxes abated.				306	00
		\$ 315	20	\$315	00
	1007	\$919	22	\$919	22
F3 33 4 3 4	1897.				
To uncollected taxes .		235			
Interest .			68		
By cash paid E. D. Bane	croft, Treasurer			\$74	63
Uncollected taxes				161	50
		*200	10	A.)00	1.0
		\$236	13	\$ 236	13
	1897.				
To sidewalk assessment		\$ 43	90		
By cash paid E. D. Bane	croft, Treasurer			\$ 43	90
				A 40	-
		\$43	90	\$ 43	90
	1898.				
To taxes committed for	collection .	\$ 33,640	60		
By cash paid E. D. Band	croft, Treasurer			\$32,612	72
Discount .				647	15
Exempt and abated				113	75
Uncollected taxes				266	98
		\$33,640	60	\$33,640	60
	1898.				
Betterments committed	for collection .	\$1,688	68		
By cash paid E. D. Ban		,		\$1,160	18
Uncollected betterme	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			528	
		\$1,688	68	\$1,688	68

EDWARD S. STIMPSON,

Collector.

REPORT OF TREE WARDEN For Year Ending Dec. 31, 1898.

There was appropriated for the use of the Tree Warden for the year 1898, the sum of \$500. Of this amount there has been expended \$359.07. The principal item of this expenditure was for 95 rock maple trees planted on Adin street at \$2.25 per tree, amounting to \$213.75. These trees are guaranteed, so that in case any of them do not live they are to be replaced free of charge to the Town.

The rest of the \$359.07 expended was almost entirely for the trimming of trees on the streets of Hopedale, and the carting away of the brush.

The work was principally done by Messrs. Charles B. Merrill & Co. of Newtonville, Mass., and I think was well done.

EBEN S. DRAPER,
Tree Warden.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT.

Fourteen marriage intentions have been recorded. Sixteen of the contracting parties were residents of Hopedale.

Fourteen marriages have been recorded; first marriage of twenty-seven; second marriage of one.

Twenty-two deaths have been recorded; eleven male, eleven female. Four were of foreign birth.

Thirty-one births have been recorded; seventeen male, fourteen female. Eleven had fathers of foreign birth; seven had mothers of foreign birth.

Ninety dog licenses were granted; 82 for males, 8 for females. \$186 was paid to E. A. Brown, county treasurer, of which sum \$174.65 was refunded to the town.

Respectfully submitted,

D. A. WESTCOTT,

Town Clerk.

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

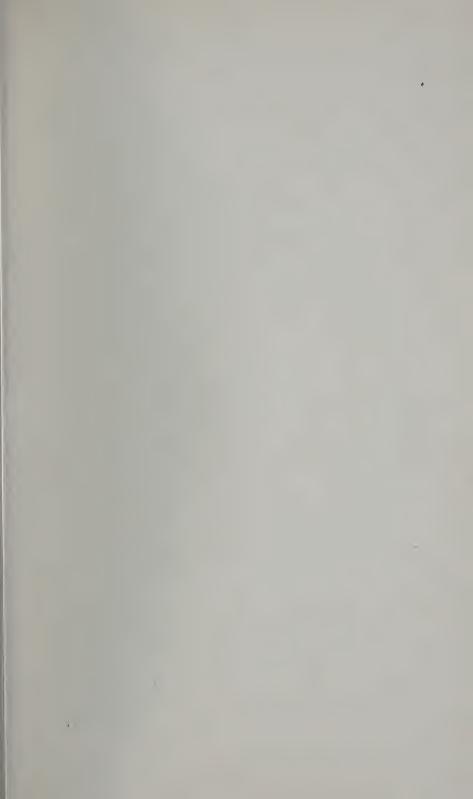
The disbursements of the town of Hopedale through its several departments for the year 1898 are covered by receipts and receipted bills for correct amounts, and the Treasurer's books show a correct balance between income and expenditures.

The reports of the several departments, with the exception of the Fire Department, agree with the Treasurer's. The clerk of said department, disregarding Section 1 of Article III., which reads as follows: "The financial year shall begin the first day of January in each year, and end the last day of December following," the result is that there are two sets of figures for that department, as he drew orders in January, 1899, after the Treasurer had closed his books.

Respectfully submitted,

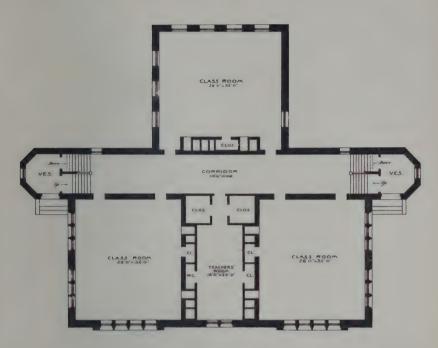
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Auditor.

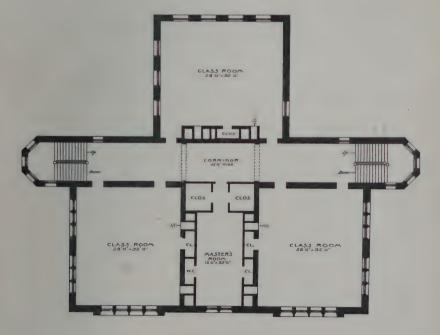




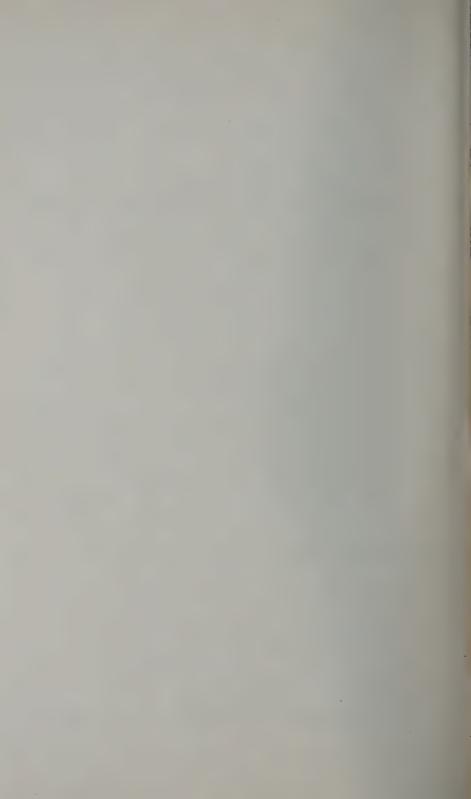
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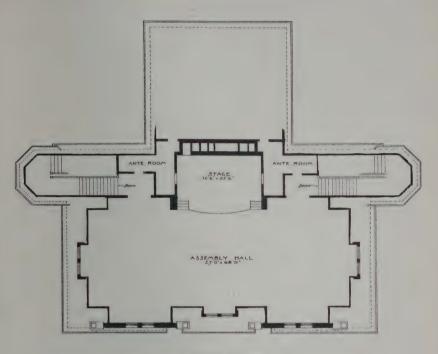


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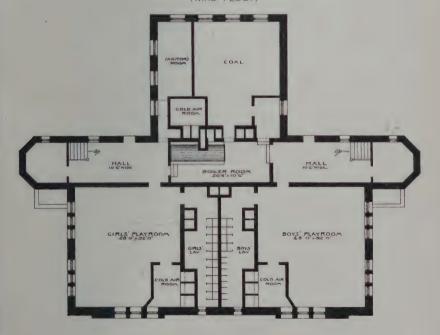


SECOND FLOOR





THIRD FLOOR



BASEMENT PLAN



THIRTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

TOWN OF HOPEDALE,



MASSACHUSETTS.

1898.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

ALBERT W. HAM, Chairman				1899
FRANK J. DUTCHER, Secretary				1901
CHARLES E. LONGFELLOW,		• /		1900
ELMER E. SHERMAN,	Superi	intende	nt.	

[Office hours: Dutcher street building, Thursdays, 5.30 to 6.30.]

TRUANT OFFICERS.

ALBERT W. HAM, HENRY M. BATES, ELMER E. SHERMAN.

Authorized to Sign Certificates for Children Between the Ages of 14 and 16.

ELMER E. SHERMAN.

REPORT.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Available for use of School	L	DEPART	MEN	T.
General appropriation		\$6,800°	00	
Income from state school fund .	٠	195	02	
Amount received from state for superv	i-			
sion, etc		416	67	
Supplies, etc., sold		16	03	
				\$ 7,427 72
ORDERS DRAWN ON THE TOY	VN	TREAST	URE	R.
Teaching:				
Hopedale, including high school		\$3,981	63	
South Hopedale		416		
Care of buildings :—				•
Hopedale		403	92	
South Hopedale		33	40	
Fuel:—				
Hopedale	٠	615	00	
South Hopedale		33	00	
Text-books and supplies		695	54	
Repairs:—				
Hopedale:—				
Draper Co., painting, plumbing, ca	r-			
pentry, etc.		35	21	
Plummer & Ham, electrical work		17	80	
Supervision:—				
E. E. Sherman, one third of salary		525	00	
Incidentals:—				
E. E. Sherman, printing .		4	50	
E. E. Sherman, traveling expenses		43	22	
E. E. Sherman, supplies and small r	e-			
pairs		* 2	35	

R. Folger, rubber stamp .				30		
L. A. Lamson, chemicals .		•	10	95		
L. A. Lamson, paper, etc			11	20		
G. M. Billings, printing .			24			
G. M. Billings, school reports			15	00		
J. L. Hammett Co., dusters, h	orooms	3,				
etc			7	58		
Hopedale post-office, stamps .			4	50		
G. S. Perry & Co., map, flags, e	etc.		49	75		
Sherman Bros., labor			3	00		
C. Ellis & Sons, repairing smol	ke flue	es				
and small supplies			19	53		
Draper Co., stamps and station	nery		. 14	86		
Draper Co., labor, storm doors,	, etc.		10	57		
J. M. French & Son, teaming .			4	00		
Hopedale Stable, teaming .			1	00		
M. Steinert and Sons Co., ex	chang	çe				
on piano, etc			278	00		
W. S. Parker, address .			25	00		
Franklin Educational Co., che	emicals	s,				
etc			7	39		
H. C. Kendall, filling diplomas	3		2	00		
Plummer & Ham, electrical wo			1	40		
Milford Water Co., water .			55	46		
H. L. Frost & Co., pruning tre			2	85		
R. Varnam, carpentry work .			3	50		
Hartford Steam Boiler Inspe		&				
Insurance Co., boiler insur						
years			55	25		
E. L. Temple, photographs				00		
Avery & Woodbury, fixtures for	or mai	os	2	70		
Milford Gas Light Co., gas			2	00		
C. H. Bull, soap, etc.				02		
Balance overdrawn .					6	91
			\$7,434	63	\$7,434	63

The above report includes all bills due in the year 1898, as far as they could be obtained up to the time of closing the

town accounts, and leaves unpaid about forty dollars.

The furniture was moved from the old to the new building during the summer vacation, and the fall term opened in the latter. We find the improved accommodations appreciated by scholars and teachers. The added rooms are occupied by the kindergarten and primary grades.

We refer to the report of the Superintendent in regard to the school work, and recommend that the kindergarten be continued another year to more fully determine its value as a part of our school system.

Mr. Charles E. Longfellow having moved from the town it becomes necessary to elect one member of the School Committee to fill the balance of his term. Mr. Longfellow was much interested in the welfare of the schools, and we regret very much that continued ill health rendered it necessary for him to change his residence.

We recommend an appropriation of \$7,200 for the year 1899, with the understanding that this continues the kindergarten another year.

For the School Committee,

FRANK J. DUTCHER,

Secretary.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

TO THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE OF HOPEDALE:-

Gentlemen: The fifth annual report of the Superintendent of Schools is hereby presented.

There has been a slight increase in the membership and attendance over the preceding year.

Grades VIII., IV., and VII. have made good records in attendance, ranking in the order named.

Grade VII. was the most punctual, registering three tardy marks for the year, and grade VI. was second with five marks.

The number of dismissals during school hours was only two thirds that of the year preceding, a most decided improvement.

Let us hope that some room or grade will be able to boast a record clean of tardy marks for the year 1899.

The new Dutcher street building has been occupied since September. It is proving to be a comfortable, convenient building for its purpose, while all are united in praising its elegance and beauty. The health of the school children in this building was proportionately better during the trying winter weather than that of the children in any other building in the district.

Several changes in teachers were unavoidable. Mr. Ryder of the high school resigned to take post-graduate work in college, Miss Sornborger to accept a position in the public library, Miss Batchelor to enter Bridgewater, and Miss Greenway to be married. Two additional teachers were needed in September,

because of the establishment of the kindergarten and the separation of grades I. and II., which up to that time had been in one room.

Our teachers are doing good work. They are professionally trained, earnest and enthusiastic in their calling, and, more than all else, refined and elevated in character.

The kindergarten has been in session since September with an average attendance of seventeen. The total enrolment was twenty-two. These children range from four to five years of age. It soon became evident that one person could not succesfully care for that number of very small children, and it was thought best to offer to some young person desirous of studying kindergarten methods an opportunity to train under Miss Carter. This offer was accepted by Miss Mabel Andrew, who has proved a most satisfactory assistant.

The kindergarten is the bridge between the school and the home. Play is the natural activity of the child, and through his play the kindergarten seeks to train and develop his body, mind, and spirit. The skilful teacher varies the game and occupations to suit her particular class, and the individuals in her class, keeping in her consciousness always the end in view, and studying to discover what will best produce the results desired in each particular case.

GRADED SCHOOLS.

The work in our schools is planned by the year, the school year covering the time from September to June. The children are arranged in grades. The first grade does the work of the first year in school, the second grade that of the second year, etc. The course from the primary through the high extends over twelve years, four in the primary, four in the grammar, and four in the high.

No two pupils do this work in exactly the same way. Some move at a rate requiring more than twelve years, some less. Some accomplish ninety per cent of the work in a given subject, others only sixty or seventy per cent. There are some minds to whom certain things are impossible of accomplishment, while in other directions they may excel. It is true

that some things are essential for everybody to know, but there are many things not necessary for all to understand, and it is wrong to demand of every child the same kind and amount of work. He should do that which teaches him to think, and if he is gaining the power of thought he is being educated, even though he may have little knowledge of some branches. Pupils differ in their requirements. For the child who must early in life earn his own living the schools should do something to fit him for that struggle, while the one who expects to finish his public school course and perhaps continue his education elsewhere needs a different training. Courses of study should be arranged to give the greatest possible good to the individual at whatever point he is obliged to leave school.

Courses of study should be elastic, the grading flexible, the teacher watchful and sympathetic, and the school equipment in the way of buildings, materials and teachers should be generous, to render it possible to do individual work with the pupils. This ideal system means classes of pupils nearly equal in age and ability, and not over forty in number, to a teacher, the promotions to occur quarterly instead of yearly, and a course which should include manual training in the shape of cooking for girls, and sloyd, or wood-working, for boys.

Manual training aims to connect a plan with its execution, mind with muscle. Whoever has had occasion to employ the ordinary mechanic expecting to have directions followed and work executed as planned will realize the desirability of better training for the next generation. Manual training seeks to impress truth as a cardinal virtue, not-only in word, but in action, for slighted handiwork is untruthful dealing.

Those fortunate children that come from homes where the girl is carefully trained by her mother to help in the kitchen and the boy by his father to assist in the farm work may not need to include manual training in their school course.

The school system thus briefly suggested may be ideal, but it is well to have ideals if they be good and high, for only by striving for the ideal does the world progress.

THE THREE R'S OF TODAY.

When a little one stands before his teacher for a first les-

son in reading she talks to him about something with which he is familiar and which she knows is the subject of a lesson in the primer that he is to use later on. It may be about baby and mamma. She writes baby on the board, pronounces it, and calls upon him to pronounce it also. The same with mamma, and so on for several lessons, adding new words and reviewing all the time until he knows several words at sight. Perhaps in the second lessons she teaches the word see. Then combines See baby, and so from the start uses the words in short sentences. In a few weeks he is ready for the primer. and will readily recognize the words he has learned in new combinations. Then the teacher begins to give the child a key to new words by teaching him the sounds of letters and combinations: Of letters as f, l, m, n, r, s; of combinations, as ing, ight, an, at; which he learns to pronounce as one sound. Then she teaches the child to put them together, as 1-ight, light, might, night, right, sight, etc. By the end of the first year the child reads readily in a primer or first reader. It is designed that two or three first readers shall be read before the second reader is taken up, and the same with the second readers, etc.

During the second half-year the alphabet is learned forwards and backwards, and the child begins to spell orally. He learns poems which he speaks with others and alone. This memorizing of selections from the great poets is continued for ears, and the teacher attempts to have them spoken with expression. The reading books are selected with reference to their literary qualities. Much advance has been made of late in the preparation of such books for children.

Work in writing the English language is begun in the first year and carried on through the entire school course. At first they copy simple sentences, then construct sentences from words given, and fill blanks with the proper word or form. Then write short stories from memory. These are followed by original sentences, and finally paragraphs and essays. They are taught the forms of social and business letters.

Later they come to technical English grammar, and learn to tell the parts of a sentence, and to determine the uses of words in sentences, to name parts of speech, and finally to analyze and parse.

The penmanship is begun in the first year. The writing of single small letters at the black-board and at the seat upon large sheets of manila paper is the first step. No small writing is required the first year, because the little hands ought not to be eramped before the mind is developed to control the smaller muscles. Ink is taken almost at first. Slates are not used during the first three years because the habit of bearing down upon the pencil is unavoidable in using the slate, and, too, slates are filthy, noisy things in the hands of the little ones. In many schools they are not used in any grade.

The vertical script is used, because little ones naturally write that way, and in former days had with much time and trouble to be taught the slant, and because business men are united in declaring the vertical script to be more legible. Movement exercises precede each lesson, and books are used to furnish a correct copy and to record progress made.

Arithmetic, the fetich of the old-time school, still holds a very important place not only as a practical subject but as furnishing, when rightly taught, excellent mental discipline.

Mental arithmetic has a prominent place upon the daily program, and is designed to develop principles and give facility in the use of figures. A pamphlet carefully outlining the subject of arithmetic has been prepared by the Superintendent for the use of the teachers. A copy will be furnished to any parent upon application to the Superintendent.

The most stress is laid upon addition, common and decimal fractions, percentage, and ratio, or the rule of three. In the earlier years small numbers are used, and the difficult reasoning underlying problems in the multiplication and division of fractions, and percentage is left till the last years of the grammar course.

LECTURES.

A course of lectures has been provided for the teachers especially, but all are invited to attend, as they are of general interest to all parents and friends of education. Those in

Hopedale are given in the hall of the new school building, and those in Milford in the high school building. The following is the program for the course:—

PROGRAMME.

September 29, 4.30 p. m., Milford.

"Literature in Elementary Schools."

Miss Sarah L. Arnold,

Supervisor of Primary Department, Boston.

October 20, 4.15 p. m., Hopedale. "History."

Mr. A. C. Boyden, Bridgewater Normal School.

December 15, 4.15 p. m., Milford. "Educational Leaders."

Mr. A. E. Winship,

Editor "Journal of Education."

January 18, 4.15 p. m., Hopedale. "Development of the Individual."

Dr. Gertude Edmand, Lowell Training School.

February 15, 4.15 p. m., Milford. "What the Pupil Taught the Teacher."

William E. Bates,

Superintendent of Schools, Fall River.

April 12, 4.15 p. m., Hopedale.
"Froebel's Method of Child Culture."

Miss Largy F. Whooled

Miss Lucy E. Wheelock, Chauncy Hall School, Boston.

May 10, 4.15 p. m., Milford.

"The Place and Power of Drawing in Public Education."

Mr. Henry T. Bailey, State Supervisor of Drawing.

In closing I wish to thank the committee, the teachers, and the people of the town for their help and encouragement during the year just closed.

Respectfully submitted,

E. E. SHERMAN,
Superintendent of Schools.

BRIEF EXTRACTS FROM EDUCATIONAL LAWS.

- 1. All children between 7 and 14, unless sick, feeble-minded, at an approved private school, or otherwise instructed in branches required by law, to the satisfaction of the School Committee, must attend the public school during the entire time of each school year. Penalty to parent or guardian for failure in attendance for five day sessions within any period of six months, \$20.
- 2. No child under 14 can be employed "in any factory, workshop or mercantile establishment." "No such child shall be employed in any work performed for wages or other compensation" during the hours when the public school is in session nor before six o'clock in the morning or after seven in the evening.
- 3. No child under 16 can be employed in any factory, workshop or mercantile establishment without a certificate from the Superintendent of Schools. He must present an employment ticket from the person who wishes to employ him on applying for a certificate. The father, if living and a resident, must sign the certificate of age; if not, the mother; if neither, the guardian.
- 4. Children between 14 and 16 must either attend school or be regularly employed.
- 5. Children must be vaccinated before attending school, but a certificate from a regular physician, saying a child is an unfit subject for vaccination, allows attendance.

No child can attend school from a household in which there is a case of small-pox, diphtheria, scarlet fever, or measles, or from a household exposed to contagion from a household as aforesaid. Two weeks after the death, removal or recovery of the patient in a case of the first three mentioned, or three days after in a case of measles, the child may return on presentation of a certificate from the attending physician or from the board of health.

- 6. "The last regular session prior to Memorial Day, or a portion thereof, shall be devoted to exercises of a patriotic nature."
- 7. A United States flag not less than four feet in length shall be displayed on the schoolhouse grounds or building every school day, when the weather will permit, and on the inside of the schoolhouse on other school days.

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SCHOOL CALENDAR, 1899.

	WINTER TERM.		SPRING	TERM.	FALL TERM.		
	Opens.	Closes.	Opens.	Closes.	Opens.	Closes.	
High—Grades 7 and 8, Other Grades,	Jan. 3, '99 Jan. 8, '99	Mar. 24 Mar. 17	April 3 April 3	June 23 June 16	Sept. 5 Sept. 11	Dec. 22 Dec. 15	

Holidays during the terms:-

Washington's Birthday, Patriots' Day, Memorial Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and Friday following.

The Following Named Children Have Been Neither Absent nor Tardy for the Terms Specified.

TWELVE TERMS.

Roy E. Westcott-Grade VIII.

ELEVEN TERMS.

Daisy G. Dutcher, Annie D. Knight—High School.

TEN TERMS.

Charles A. Westcott—Grade VIII.

NINE TERMS.

John J. Gardner—High School.

FIVE TERMS.

Bessie M. Lord—Grade VIII.

FOUR TERMS.

Gladys B. A. Knight—High School. Harold C. Dudley—Grade VIII.

THREE TERMS.

Arthur Knight—High School. Olive Osgood—Grade VI. William H. Brown—Grade V. George F. Simmons—Grade IV. Hattie Durgin—Grade I.

WINTER AND SPRING TERMS.

Mabelle E. Hollis, Nellie D. O'Connell, Sanford W. Cole—High School.

Edith Clark, Josie Ross—Grade VIII.

Ella L. Knight—Grade VII.

Irene H. Kellogg, Charles A. Britten, Harry C. Steele, Silas W. Williams—Grade IV.

Roland Hollis, Frank II. Lord, William E. Scriven—Grade III.

Marion H. Welch—Grade II.

WINTER AND FALL TERMS.

Leon Hammond, Kate Newman—High School.

Helen Sadler-Grade VIII.

Lewis W. Gaskill—Grade IV.

Irene F. Manchester, Arthur D. Durgin, Norman S. Henry—Grade III.

SPRING AND FALL TERMS.

Berl C. Heath-Grade III.

WINTER TERM.

Emma E. Barrows, W. S. Lapworth, Richard Newman, Hester Westcott—High School.

Roy F. Gaskill—Grade VIII.

May Northrop—Grade VII.

Edith Chichester, Ava Hollis, Lena M. Green, Salome Vogel, Arthur Pierce—Grade VI.

Hattie Holmes—Grade V.

Edith Lowell, Charles A. Britten, Richard A. Grayson, Roy H. Gaskill, Willard F. Henry—Grade IV.

Benjamin W. Ross-Grade III.

George C. Greenway, Ruth I. Munyon—Grade II.

Ada E. Munyon, Gertrude Williams—Grade I.

SPRING TERM.

Eugene C. Steele—High School.

Leon Brown, Ethelwyn Britten—Grade VII.

Jennie Gardner, William Blanchard, Letty Davis, Ethel Morrison—Grade VI.

Mary Keeley-Grade V.

Charles Britten, George Lincoln—Grade IV.

Edith Klein, Nina M. Burr-Grade III.

Harold Smith, Bertha A. Cain, Leila Fiske, Esther Andrew—Grade II.

FALL TERM.

Lydia Broughey, Mary Ross-High School.

Arthur Roper, Rose I. Broughey, Clara M. Coyne—Grade VIII.

Ethel Sheldon-Grade VI.

Clayton W. Gaskill, Franklin R. Blanchard—Grade V.

Edna Martin-Grade IV.

Gilbert Arnold, Gladys Cook, Ethel Northrop, Grace Tillotson—Grade II.

Everett Simmons-Grade I.

REPORT OF TRUANT OFFICER.

HOPEDALE, Mass., Dec. 29, 1898.

Mr. E. E. SHERMAN, SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

Dear Sir :-

Nine cases of truancy have required my services during the past year.

The laws in regard to the employment of minors have been properly observed by the various manufactories.

Respectfully yours,

HENRY M. BATES, Truant Officer.

Courses of Studies in Hopedale High School.

FOURTH YEAR.	Required. Political Science 4.	American History 2.	Elective.	Drawing 2.	French 3.	Latin 4.	Astronomy and Physical Ge-	ography 4, or	Geology and Botany 4.	College English and Mathe-
THIRD YEAR.	Kequired. English Composition and Lit- Political Science 4.	erature 3.	French 3.	Elective.	Drawing 2.	Latin 4.	Physics or Chemistry 3.	Astronomy and Physical Geography 4, or	ography 4, or	Geology and Botany 4.
SECOND YEAR.	Required. Geometry 4.	Drawing 1.	English Composition and Lit- French 3.	érature 3.	Elective.	General History 4.	Latin 4.	Physics or Chemistry 3.		
FIRST YEAR.	Required. Algebra 4.	Drawing 3.	English 4.	English History 3.	Elective.	Latin 4.	Bookkeeping and Commer-	cial Law 3.		

Figures to right of studies indicate number of recitations per week.

Students, unless specially permitted, are to carry no less than 16, nor more than 18 periods of recitation work per week. Music, General Exercises, Current Events and Rhetoricals are required throughout the four years.

matics 4.

Greek may be taken by those who wish.

The work is divided into four ten-week periods.

160 weeks of work on a basis of 16 periods a week, if satisfactorily accomplished, entitles the student to a diploma.

Programme-Hopedale High School-Second Half-Year. 1898-99.

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FRIDAY.	Devotions. General Exercises. Music.	Algebra IV. Drawing II. & I.	Geometry III. Latin I. & II.	Bookkeeping IV. Latin IV.	Political Economy I. History III.	Physics Laboratory. English History IV.	Recess.	Physical Geog. I. & II. Latin III.	French II. College English I.	Rhetoricals (c). English IV.
THURSDAY.	Devotions. General Exercises. Music.	Algebra IV. English II.	Geometry III. Latin I. & II.	Physics III. & II. Drawing IV.	Political Economy I. Drawing IV.	American History I. Drawing III.	Recess.	History III.	Rhetoricals (b). College English I.	French I. English IV.
WEDNESDAY.	Devotions. General Exercises.	Music.	Geometry III. Latin I. & II.	Bookkeeping IV. Latin IV.	Political Economy I. History III.	Physics Laboratory. English History IV.	Recess.	Physica, Geog. I. & II. Latin III.	French II. English III.	French I. English IV.
TUESDAY.	Devotions. General Exercises. Music.	Algebra IV. English II.	Physics III. & II. Drawing I. & II.	Bookkeeping IV. Latin IV.	Political Economy I. History III.	Physics Laboratory. English IV.	Recess.	Physical Geog. I. & II. Physical Geog. I. & II. Physical, Geog. I. & II. History III. Latin III.	French II. College English I.	Rhetoricals (a). English III.
MONDAY.	Devotions. General Exercises. Music.	Algebra IV.* English II.	Geometry III. Latin I. & II.	Physics III. & III. Latin IV.	American History I.	English History IV.	Recess.	Physical Geog. I. & II. Latin III.	French II. College English I.	French I. English III.
TIME.	A. M. 8 to 8.25	8.25	9.85	9.35	10.05	10.35	11.20	11.20	11.55	12.80

*IV. Beginners. III. 2nd Year Class. II. Juniors. I. Seniors.

HOPEDALE HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION. @ 1898.

Thursday Evening, June 23, at 8 o'clock.

PROGRAMME.

Prayer
Patriotic Hymn—"O Native Land," Bullard
The School.
Address Mr. Walter S. Parker, Supervisor Boston Schools
Four-part Songs,
(a) "Go forth the rising sun to greet," Durrner
(b) "O night, lovely night," Berge
The School.
Presentation of Diplomas
"Sleep, Lady Sleep," Sir H. R. Bishop
The School.
"America," School and Audience

GRADUATING CLASS.

ACADEMIC COURSE.

JESSIE ELIZABETH BURTON.

WINFIELD SCOTT LAPWORTH.

ENGLISH COURSE.

EMMA ELLEN BARROWS.

SARAH ALICE NORTHROP.

Class Motto-Vitae Via Virtus.

Class Color—Dark Red. Class Flower—The White Rose.

Report of Committee on New School Building.

Appropriation				\$30,000	00
Expenses:—					
Darling Bros., contract on building	\$28	3,505	19		
Walker & Kimball, architects	. 1	,404	25		
Cenedella Bros., grading and labor of	n				
sewers	. 1	,496	79		
Draper Co. engineer's services, etc.		435	91		
Highway Department, concrete walks	S	209	29		
Boston Lightning Rod Co., lightning	g				
rods		190	00		
Clark Ellis & Sons, sewer pipe		95	83		
Clark Ellis & Sons, grass seed, etc.		23	82		
John S. Mead, seeding and fertilizer		81	65		
J. Woodward Manning, shrubs and	d				
trees		91	00		
Warren H. Manning, landscape archi	-				
tect		44	50		
H. M. Bates, labor		46	00		
H. H. Lent, carpentry work .		35	03		
Milford Water Co., water connection	s	20	09		
Milford Gas Light Co., gas connection	s	12	86		
Balance overdrawn				2,692	12
				102.000	
	\$32,	692	21	\$32,692	21
Furnishing New School	Bui	LDIN	G.		
Appropriation				\$1,500	00
Expenses:					
Gas fixtures	. \$	87	50		
Curtains		169	68		
Clocks		36	00		
Furniture and piano for assembly hal	1	671	26		

Furniture for schools	cooms	and	refin-			
ishing old .				\$651	72	
Labor and hardware				81	99	
Sundry small items				56	42	
Balance overdrawn			•			\$254 57

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The above report covers amount expended in connection with building and furnishing the new schoolhouse up to date. A considerable part of the amount expended in excess of appropriation on the building was due to circumstances not foreseen when original estimates were made up, the largest single item being for extra work on foundations.

LEWIS B. GASKILL, CHARLES M. DAY, EDWIN A. DARLING, ALBERT W. HAM, ANNA M. BANCROFT, FRANK J. DUTCHER,

Committee.

Thirteenth Annual Report

OF THE

Hopedale Public Library,

Hopedale, Massachusetts,

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31,

1898.

TRUSTEES.

TIMOTHY OSGOOD, Chairman, Term Expires March 1899. EDWARD L. OSGOOD, . " 1900. FRANK H. FRENCH, Secretary, " 1901.

Assistant Librarian.
HARRIET B. SORNBORGER.

THIRTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Trustees of the Hopedale Public Library.

The end of 1898 finds the library in a prosperous condition and well patronized. The trustees have conscientiously tried to furnish its patrons with the best that could be obtained, and some very fine books have been added to the library. We have to thank Mr. F. J. Dutcher, and through him the Hopedale Sunday school, for some five hundred volumes, almost new.

One improvement has been the addition of a new case for the card catalogue. This is in every way an improvement over the old one and in time we hope to have a dictionary card catalogue that shall be of some real use, but it is the labor of years. At present there is a fiction list both by author and title, a dictionary catalogue of the natural science, and an author list of books other than fiction. It was the intention of the trustees last year, and so stated in their report, to publish a catalogue of the books in the library, but upon consultation and a careful going over the subject by Mr. Bigelow, who for this purpose visited a number of libraries and consulted with some of the prominent "library men," it was decided not to do so. It is impossible to keep a printed catalogue up to date in a growing library. The card catalogue system is being adopted by most of the first-class libraries. If those who visit the library and reading room will take pains to acquaint themselves with this system in its different branches, we feel sure they will agree with the trustees, that it far surpasses any printed list of books that could be compiled. Any further information regarding catalogue will be cheerfully given by Miss Sornborger. About half of the books have been rearranged on the shelves and more carefully classified during the last year, rendering them much more accessible to those unacquainted with the library.

The trustees again remind the patrons of the library that any suggestions as to books to be added or any changes that will render the library more valuable or efficient will be wel-Blanks may be obtained at the desk upon which to write names of books recommended. In this way new books desired can be obtained, the labors of the trustees lessened, and the library made to serve more practical ends than if the trustees work without the help of the public. Every one should feel that he has a personal interest in the library, as through its silent influence much good is done; the minds of the young are trained and directed into right channels, higher ideals are entertained, and thereby the whole intellectual and moral status is raised; and just as the minds of the young are guided to better things, so the whole community will be benefited in the present and in the future years.

By the removal from town and consequent resignation of Mr. Myron J. Bigelow, the trustees feel they have lost a valuable member, one whose place will be hard to fill. At a meeting of the selectmen and the remaining members of the board of trustees, Mr. E. L. Osgood was elected to succeed Mr. Bigelow. His long connection with the publishing business, coupled with extensive literary attainments, have admirably fitted him for this position:

Through the courtesy of Mr. J. B. Bancroft, the trustees have been given an opportunity to carefully study the plans of the memorial library building he is erecting as the permanent home of the library. It carries out the latest ideas in library architecture as regards beauty and convenience, and will stand a blessing and example to future generations.

Two members of the board will have to be elected at the next annual meeting, one to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Bigelow, and one to serve three years, as the term of Mr. Timothy Osgood, the chairman of the board, expires this year.

The trustees recommend the sum of \$1300 and the dog

tax be appropriated for the use of the library during the year of 1899.

Respectfully submitted,

TIMOTHY OSGOOD, FRANK H. FRENCH,

Trustees.

Feb. 11, 1899.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

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Receipts:—						
Appropriation .	٠					\$1,300 00
Proceeds of dog tax		¥				174 65
Fines, etc						31 03
Interest, Bancroft Fund						51 66
Expenditures:—						
Books				\$586	19	
Periodicals .				131	50	
Binding				110	67	
Service:—						
Miss Bailey .	٠	\$184	00			
Miss Ross .		38	62			
Miss Sornborger		257	60			
				480	2 2	
Supplies:—						
Library Bureau.		\$16	35			
F. H. French .		6	00			
Dennison Mfg. Co.		2	11			
				24	46	
Lighting:—						
Milford Gas Light Co.				88	05	
Sundries:—						
H. M. Bates, labor		\$7	50			
F. H. French, expres	88,					
box rent, traveling e	-X					
pense, etc		31	29			
G. M. Billings, printi						
report.		3	50			

Draper Co		\$ 5 71
Library Bureau,	card	
catalogue case		77 00
Badger & Co., desk		11 25

\$136 25

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LIBRARY STATISTICS.

The following lists show the number of books delivered for home use, and the number of visitors to the reading-room during 1897 and 1898:—

	Books Taken Out.		Visitors to Reading-Room.		
	1897.	1898.	1897.	1898.	
January,	1183	1174	743	963	
February,	1143	1189	919	896	
March,	1314	1273	997	954	
April,	1013	1083	735	756	
May,	813	819	568	684	
June,	852	790	486	601	
July,	962	840	567	555	
August,	961	805	650	710	
September,	1085	968	848	922	
October,	1159	1189	877	1017	
November,	1187	1150	877	937	
December,	1085	1068	927	747	
	12,757	12,348	9,194	9,742	
			1897.	1898.	
Card holde:	rs,		1,321	1,451	
Circulation	,		12,757	12,348	
Visitors to reading-room,		9,194	9,742		
Volumes in library,		6,302	6,831		
Fines, etc.,			\$ 36.25.	\$ 31.03	
Percentage	of fiction,		82	78	

GIFTS TO LIBRARY, 1898.

	Vol.	Pam.	Per.
Billings, G. M. (Milford Gazette).			
Cambridge W. C. T. U	. 1		
Chelsea Public Library		1	
Chelsea, City of	. 1		
Clinton Public Library	. 1		
Cook & Sons (Milford Journal, Dail	y and		
Weekly)			
Coyne, T	. 3		
Draper, W. F. (Gov. Publications)	. 32	1	
Dutcher, Miss G. M	. 3		
Dutcher, F. J	. 2		24
Everett Public Library		1	
Fall River Public Library .	•	2	
French, F. H.		1	
Heywood, W. S. & A. B	. 1		
Indian Rights Association .		2	
Lawrence Public Library		1	
Leicester "		1	
Lynn "		1	
Malden "		1	
Massachusetts Secretary of State.	. 11	2	
Melrose Public Library		1	
Natick "		1	
Newton "		1	
Osgood, T. "			3
Palmer, Mrs. C. F	. 1		
Providence Public Library .	•	1	
Shaker Community Library, (Man	ifesto)		
Salem Public Library	•	1	
Soldiers' Home, Chelsea		1	
Southbridge Public Library .		2	
Taunton "		1	
Unitarian Sunday school, Hopedale	. 520		
United States Government .	. 32	52	
Weymouth Public Library .		$\overline{2}$	
Woburn "·		1	
Worcester "	•	1	

LIST OF PERIODICALS REGULARLY RECEIVED.

[Those marked with an * are given.]

WEEKLIES.

American Architect and Building News. * American Machinist. Electrical World. Frank Leslie's Illustrated.

Harper's Bazar. Harper's Weekly. Illustrated American.

Illustrated London News.

Milford Journal. *
Milford Times. *
Official Gazette. *
Publishers' Weekly.
Scientific American.
Scientific American Supple-

ment.
Woman's Journal.
Youth's Companion.

Milford Gazette. *

MONTHLIES.

American Advocate of Peace.*

Arena.

Atlantic.

Art Interchange.

Bookman.

Carpentry and Building.

Century.

Cosmopolitan.

Educational Review.

Engineering.

Forum.

Frank Leslie's Popular Maga-

zine.

Gunton's Magazine.

Harper's Magazine.

Harper's Round Table.

Ladies' Home Journal.

Lippincott's.

McClure's Magazine.

Manifesto. *
Munsey's.

New England Magazine.

Nineteenth Century.

North American Review. Popular Science Monthly.

Public Libraries.

Review of Reviews.

St. Nicholas.

Scribner's.

Textile Record. *

DAILIES.

Boston Globe.

Boston Journal.

Milford Journal. *
Milford Daily News. *

HOPEDALE'S HONOR ROLL.

The following residents of Hopedale served with credit to the Town and the Commonwealth in the recent Spanish-American war:—

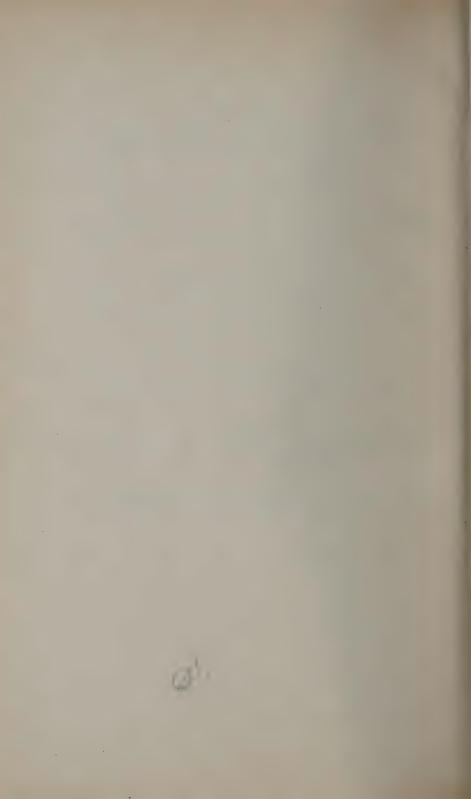
ENROLLMENTS IN CO. M, 6TH MASS. INF., U.S. V.

- LIEUT. ARTHUR J. DRAPER.—Enrolled as private June 17, 1898; promoted corporal July 11; sergeant Sept. 5; 2nd lieutenant Oct. 21. Discharged on account of mustering out of regiment, January 21, 1899.
- CORPORAL FRANK L. ARNOLD.—Enrolled as corporal May 6, 1898. Discharged on account of mustering out of regiment, January 21, 1899.
- CORPORAL HERBERT B. BRIGGS.—Enrolled as private May 6, 1898; promoted corporal July 11. Discharged on account of mustering out of regiment, January 21, 1899.
- CORPORAL HENRY L. SMITH.—Enrolled as private May 6, 1898; promoted corporal January 2, 1899. Discharged on account of mustering out of regiment, January 21, 1899.
- PRIVATE WILLIAM B. ARRAND.—Enrolled May 6, 1898. Discharged January 21, 1899, on account of mustering out of regiment.
- PRIVATE DAVID K. AREAND.—Enrolled May 6, 1898. Discharged January 21, 1899, on account of mustering out of regiment.

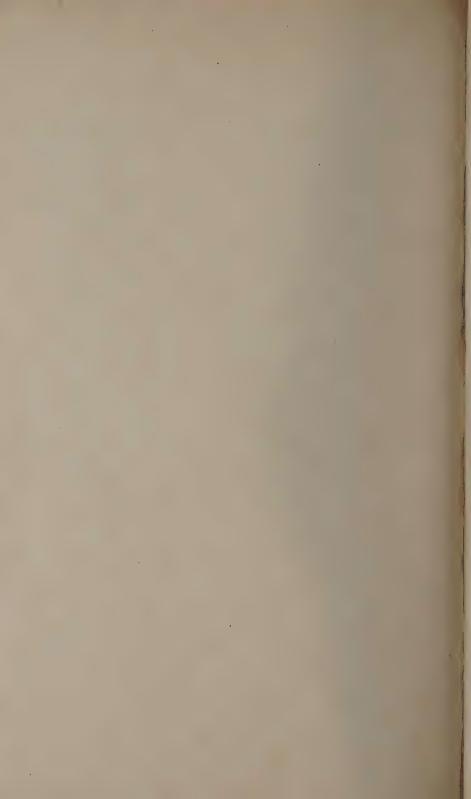
- Peivate William Crowley.—Enrolled June 17, 1898. Discharged January 21, 1899, on account of mustering out of regiment.
- Private Carl H. French.—Enrolled June 17, 1898. Discharged January 21, 1899, on account of mustering out of regiment.
- Private John F. Gaffney.—Enrolled June 17, 1898. Discharged January 21, 1899, on account of mustering out of regiment.
- Private James H. Hollis.—Enrolled May 6, 1898. Discharged January 21, 1899, on account of mustering out of regiment.
- Private George W. Ingram.—Enrolled May 6, 1898. Discharged January 21, 1899, on account of mustering out of regiment.
- PRIVATE FRED F. MAYOR.—Enrolled June 17, 1898. Discharged January 21, 1899, on account of mustering out of regiment.
- PRIVATE JOHN J. MARTIN.—Enrolled May 6, 1898; transferred to 8th Massachusetts Infantry, U. S. V., January 7, 1899.
- Private Jeremiah Mahoney.—Enrolled May 6, 1898; transferred to 8th Massachusetts Infantry, U. S. V., January 5, 1899.
- PRIVATE EUGENE F. STRATTON.—Enrolled May 6, 1898. Discharged January 21, 1899, on account of mustering out of regiment.
- Private Lawrence Wehinger.—Enrolled June 17, 1898. Discharged January 21, 1899, on account of mustering out of regiment.

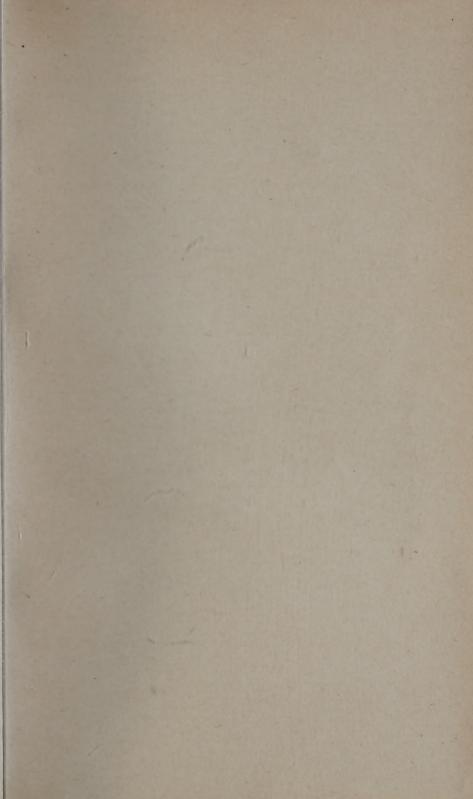
- PRIVATE PAUL T. FRENCH.—Enrolled June 17, 1898. Died at sea on board hospital ship "Bay State," October 24, 1898.
- ENROLLMENTS IN OTHER DEPARTMENTS OF THE SERVICE.
- James E. Gaffney.—Enrolled May 21, 1898, in U. S. Navy.

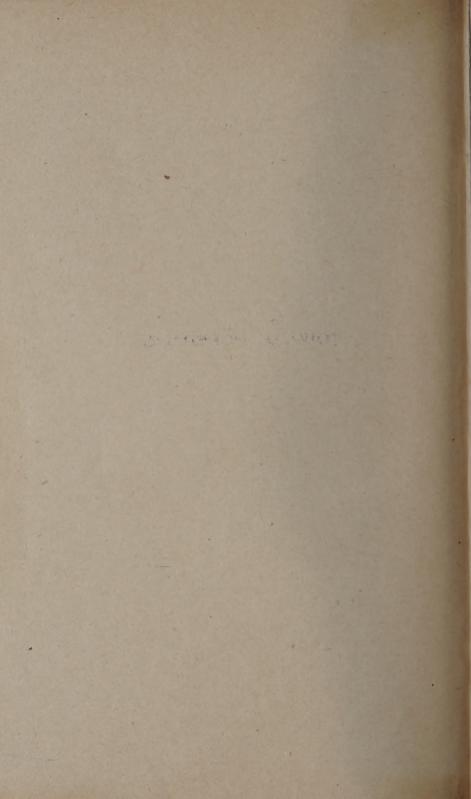
 Began service on Constellation; transferred to
 U. S. S. Princeton. Discharged August 25,
 1898, on account of injuries received.
- PRIVATE ANTHONY J. GAEDNER.—Enrolled May 11, 1898, in 9th Massachusetts Infantry, U. S. V. Discharged November 27, 1898, on account of mustering out of regiment.
- HENRY C. Moore.—Enrolled May, 1898; served on U. S. S. Bancroft during war; transferred to U. S. S. Marblehead.
- FRED L. PUFFER.—Enrolled June 10, 1898, in Battery E, 2nd Artillery, U. S. Army, now serving in Cuba.











TOWN OF HOPEDALE.

